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Gary TAPPERSON et al.

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For: APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING
REDUNDANT WIRELESS
ACCESS TO FIELD DEVICES IN A
DISTRIBUTED CONTROL SYSTEM

Examiner: Le Hien Luu

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2005 please consider the following remarks with respect to the above-identified U.S. patent application.

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